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Disposition of Claims		
4) Claim(s) 1-6 is/are pending in the application. 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdray 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) Claim(s) 1-6 is/are rejected. 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/o		
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DETAILED ACTION

- 1. This action is responsive to the application filed on July 21, 2004.
- 2. Claims 1-6 have been examined.

Oath/Declaration

The Office acknowledges receipt of a properly signed oath/declaration filed July 21, 2004.

Claim Objections

4. Claims 1-6 are objected to because of the following informalities: Claims 1-6 do not end with a Period. All claims in the application should end with "." Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

5. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

6. Claims 1-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Regarding claim 1,

In this instance, the language of the claim raises a question as to whether the claim is directed merely to an abstract idea that is not tied to an environment or machine which would result in a practical application that would produce a useful, concrete, and tangible result to form the basis of statutory subject matter under 35 USC 101.

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According to the 101 Interim Guidelines, The tangible requirement does not necessarily mean that a claim must either be tied to a particular machine or apparatus or must operate to change articles or materials to a different state or thing. However, the tangible requirement does require that the claim must recite more than a § 101 judicial exception, in that the process claim must set forth a practical application of that § 101 judicial exception to produce a real-world result. Benson, 409 U.S. at 71-72, 175 USPQ at 676-77 (invention ineligible because had "no substantial practical application."). "[An application of a law of nature or mathematical formula to a ... process may well be deserving of patent protection." Diehr, 450 U.S. at 187, 209 USPQ at 8 (emphasis added); see also 21 Corning, 56 U.S. (15 How.) at 268, 14 L.Ed. 683 ("It is for the discovery or invention of some practical method or means of producing a beneficial result or effect, that a patent is granted . . . "). In other words, the opposite meaning of "tangible" is "abstract."

Applicant just mentions a method of developing web application, which can be deployed as JSP 168 compliant as well as a standalone web application without defining any steps taken or needed to develop or build the corresponding web application, thus the claim is merely an abstract idea. Therefore, the claim as a whole does not result in a tangible practical application.

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

- 7. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:
- 8. A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -
 - (e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.
- 9. Claims 1-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Sundaresan. (U.S. PGPUB 2005/0086664)

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Independent claims

With respect to claim 1, Sundaresan discloses a method of developing a web application, (See Abstract, "...creating applications, such as web applications...") which can be deployed as is in a JSP168 compliant portal framework (Col 1:0015, "...JSPs provide dynamic scripting...") as well as deployed as a standalone web application (Col 3:0027-0028, "...types of logic, may be standalone or integrated...")

Dependent claims

With respect to claim 2, the rejection of claim 1 is incorporated and further, Sundaresan discloses that the server side pages contain data access logic with conditional check that gets data from the portal server or standalone server. (Col 2:0019-0020, "...The control and flow logic...", Col 3:0023, "...various flow and control logic...")

With respect to claim 3, the rejection of claim 2 is incorporated and further, Sundaresan discloses that in presentation logic in the server side pages is common (Col 0018-0019, "...the presentation logic...", e.g. See Fig. 1, element 16 and related text)

With respect to claim 4, the rejection of claim 2 is incorporated and further, Sundaresan discloses that the submit logic in the server side pages contains a conditional check that chooses portal server or standalone server to submit (Col 3:0028-0031, "...identifies the appropriate portal specific...The layout manager enables a portal to separate...")

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With respect to claim 5, the rejection of claim 1 is incorporated and further, Sundaresan discloses that in a single broker class handles all the backend processing for both portal server and standalone (Col 3:0023-0025, "...action classes...action class...")

With respect to claim 6, the rejection of claim 1 is incorporated and further, Sundaresan discloses that in a single action class connects the portlet container to the broker class in the case of portal application(Col 3:0025, "...The action class then creates or interacts with the model object...")

Conclusion

- 10. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.
- 11. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mark P. Francis whose telephone number is (571) 272-7956. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8:00-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kakali Chaki can be reached on (571) 272-3719. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Unified Approach to Building Web Applications that can be deployed as stand-alone and in Web Portals

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